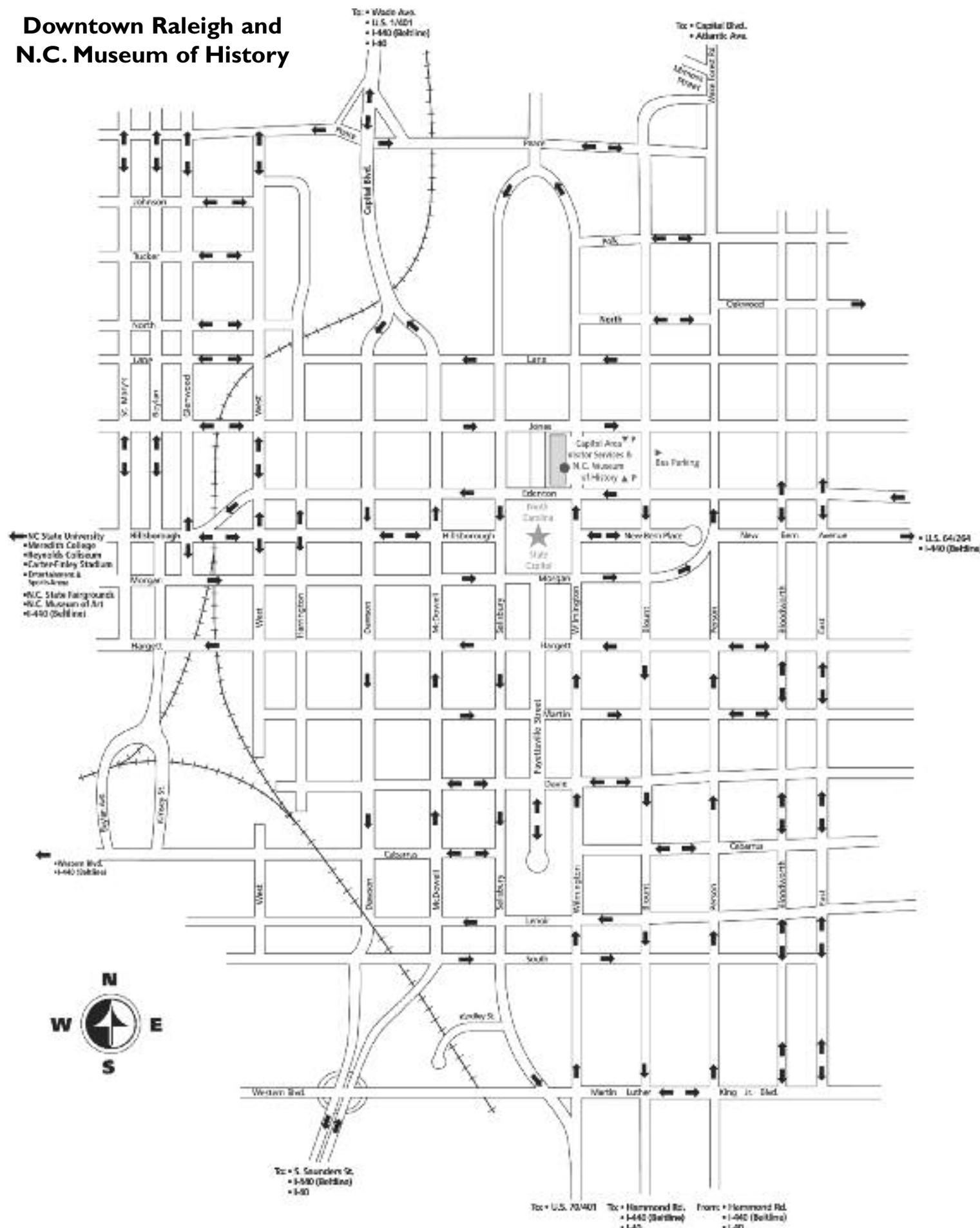


Downtown Raleigh and N.C. Museum of History



Adviser Newsletter

North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh, NC, 919-807-7985

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It's Almost Annual Convention Time

The Tar Heel Junior Historian Association's 2012 Annual Convention will be held Friday, April 27, at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh. Festivities will begin in the lobby at 10:00 a.m. Workshops will focus on sports and colonial life in North Carolina (related to *Tar Heel Junior Historian* magazine themes for fall 2011 and spring 2012, respectively). Get ready for exciting sessions! Space is limited to 400 students, plus 200 adult advisers and chaperones. Please be sure to register your club early.

Workshop schedules will be based on club members' grade levels. It is important to follow your club's written schedule, which you will receive at check-in on the day of the convention. Museum staff members will be on hand to guide groups to the right areas and to take attendance in each workshop. One adult chaperone per every 10 students will be allowed into a workshop; please allow junior historians to sit at the front of the room. It is great to see so many adults and younger siblings involved with THJHA clubs, but keep in mind that the staff designs the workshops for the fourth- through 12th-graders who are club members.

Clubs may bring their own lunches or pay for a catered lunch (\$4.75 per person).

The Awards Ceremony will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the lobby. Attendance is open to all. If members of your club plan to attend only the ceremony, please send in a registration form indicating this fact, to assist the museum staff in planning. There will be no chairs in the lobby; chairs will be available in a museum classroom where a live broadcast of the ceremony will be shown. Classrooms are located on a different level of the building from the lobby; students who have entered contests should remain in the lobby with a chaperone. The ceremony also will stream live from the museum's website; the link will be available at ncmuseumofhistory.org on the day of the convention.

Be sure to set aside time to visit the new Tar Heel Junior Historian Association exhibit and *The Story of North Carolina* exhibit, before or after Annual Convention festivities!

More details on the Annual Convention appear on page 2.

Annual Convention registration forms must be postmarked by April 9. We look forward to seeing you April 27!



The Tar Heel Junior Historian Association *Adviser Newsletter* is published periodically during the school year by the Education Section of the North Carolina Museum of History. It is sent to all THJHA advisers.



The Museum's Home Page:
<http://ncmuseumofhistory.org>
THJHA E-mail Address:
thjhaclubs@ncdcr.gov

Contest and Convention News and Notes

Important Deadlines

There will be no exceptions to these deadlines.



Annual Contest Entries: Friday, March 2

All forms and projects must be postmarked or faxed no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2. Art/exhibit projects should be delivered by 10:00 a.m. on the day of the Annual Convention, but the contest entry form and the background paper for each project must be submitted in advance, postmarked or faxed by March 2. If these materials are not submitted by March 2, the art/exhibit project will not be judged.

Convention Registration and Lunch Payments: Monday, April 9

Please complete the enclosed Annual Convention registration form and mail or fax it to the museum by April 9. (Mailed forms must be postmarked by April 9; faxes must be sent by 4:00 p.m. that day.) Advisers are also required to complete the Photography Release Form on the back of the registration form.

Lunch, catered by Gardner's Barbecue 'N' Chicken of Rocky Mount, includes a barbecue sandwich with or without slaw, a bag of chips, cookies, and a canned soft drink or bottled water. Indicate how many lunches you are paying for on your registration form, and send your payment (\$4.75 per lunch) by April 9 as well. There will be no refunds or changes after that deadline. (Clubs are welcome to bring their own lunches.)

The General Assembly in 1927 adopted "The Old North State" as the official North Carolina state song. The song had been written nearly 100 years earlier by William J. Gaston, a lawyer, state senator, U.S. congressman, and member of North Carolina's Supreme Court. At each THJHA Annual Convention, a club volunteers to lead everyone in singing the first line. If your group would like to volunteer this year, please contact Jessica Pratt.

Questions? Need more convention information?

Contact Jessica Pratt, THJHA Program Coordinator, at 919-807-7985 or jessica.pratt@ncdcr.gov.

Annual Convention Schedule



The THJHA 2012 Annual Convention will be held at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh on Friday, April 27. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. in the lobby of the museum. Advisers must check in at the registration table to receive their club's workshop schedule, lunch tickets, and other convention information.

8:30–10:00 a.m.	Club Check-in
8:30–10:00 a.m.	Exhibit/Art Contest
	Drop-off
10:00–10:10 a.m.	Opening Remarks, Roll Call of Clubs
10:15–10:50 a.m.	Workshop I
11:00–11:35 a.m.	Workshop II/Lunch A
11:45 a.m.–12:20 p.m.	Workshop III/Lunch B
12:30–1:05 p.m.	Workshop IV
1:15–1:50 p.m.	Workshop V
2:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

Each club will be assigned to four workshops, as well as to a lunch session. Please plan to follow your club's written schedule and to move quickly between each session.



Information for Getting to the Annual Convention



See the map on page 4 or print one from the website at <http://ncmuseumofhistory.org/collateral/Map2009.pdf>

School and Activity Buses

Buses may unload and pick up on Jones Street, between the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences and the North Carolina Museum of History, across the street from the Legislative Building.

School buses and activity buses may park in the lot on the corner of Blount and Jones streets (enter on Jones). Buses also may park in the bus lane on the right side of Wilmington Street, in the block between Edenton and Jones streets. Parking is limited in these two areas. If all of the spaces are full, school and activity buses should park in the tour and chartered buses area that is described below.

Tour and Chartered Buses

Buses may unload and pick up on Jones Street, between the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences and the North Carolina Museum of History, across the street from the Legislative Building.

Buses with hired drivers should park at the North Carolina Museum of Art, 2110 Blue Ridge Road (approximately five miles from the downtown area). It is recommended that group leaders have telephone contact with their bus drivers to coordinate pickup.

Cars

Four public parking decks are located within two blocks of the Capitol. A small surface lot is available behind the Museum of History; entrances are on Jones and Edenton streets. Cost is \$2 per hour, with a per-day maximum of \$16.

Driving Directions

Directions to the North Carolina Museum of History can be found on the website at ncmuseumofhistory.org. If you are using an Internet map service like Mapquest.com or a GPS, enter the museum's street address: 5 East Edenton Street in Raleigh.

Museum News Briefs

Wanted: Junior Historian Photos

Make sure your club is a part of the new THJHA Discovery Gallery at the museum! In addition to displaying contest winners and giving visitors chances to learn about primary sources, the gallery will help the public understand what the association is all about. The Club Corner area will include space for photographs and news clippings. The next time your club does an exciting activity or takes a cool field trip, be sure to send in a picture!

Be A Fan

Are you a fan of the North Carolina Museum of History on Facebook? If not, be sure to Like us! It's the best way to learn about upcoming exhibits and events. <http://www.facebook.com/NCMuseumofHistory?sid=29e284be398c39ff406dad4c31c322c7&ref=s>. And you can now find us on Twitter with the handle @ncmuseumhistory.

Civil War Distance Learning

Did you know that the museum offers two different Civil War-themed Distance Learning for Students classes?

1) History Mystery: Civil War. How do historians unravel mysteries of the past? What do objects tell us about how people lived long ago? In the new Civil War History Mystery class, students learn how museum experts identify artifacts using observation, hypothesis, and analysis. They examine replica artifacts found in a Confederate haversack to better understand a soldier's life. Grades 3–5. Offered Mondays through Wednesdays.

2) Civil War Stories from North Carolina. Why did North Carolina join the Confederacy? Did everyone in the state support the Civil War? What was life like during wartime? This program looks at Tar Heels who lived during the Civil War, using their life experiences and writings to help students understand choices faced and decisions made in response to the changes brought about by the war. Grades 4–8. Offered Mondays through Wednesdays.

Each program runs one hour. There is no charge to North Carolina schools, although participants are responsible for return shipping costs of materials. Your site must have direct IP video-conferencing capability. To arrange a test or schedule a class, contact Jerry Taylor at 919-807-7972 or jerry.taylor@ncdcr.gov.

THJHA 2012 Annual Convention Registration Form

Registration forms must be postmarked no later than **Monday, April 9**. Please register early! Space is limited, and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Mail your form to:

**Annual Convention
Tar Heel Junior Historian Association
North Carolina Museum of History
4650 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4650**

Forms also may be faxed to 919-733-8655, no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 9.

Club Name_____

School/Sponsoring Group_____

Adviser Name _____

Phone _____ - _____ - _____ Fax _____ - _____ - _____

Street Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Adviser E-mail_____

Club Grade Levels: _____ 4th-5th _____ 6th-8th _____ 9th-12th _____ Mixed

Please indicate the number of members who will attend the convention, as well as the number of catered lunches needed. Each lunch costs \$4.75.

Number of students attending _____

Number of adults attending _____

Number of lunches needed _____

Make your lunch check payable to Education Program Funds. Lunch payments must be postmarked no later than **Monday, April 9**. *There can be no refunds or changes to lunch numbers/fees after this date.*

Please check here if your club will be attending **ONLY** the Awards Ceremony. _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THE PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE FORM ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE.

Photography Release Form

This Must Be Completed!

Programs such as the THJHA Annual Convention provide wonderful opportunities for the museum photographers and videographer to capture visitors enjoying activities and presentations. The staff uses these images for publications, exhibits, and other promotional items for the museum. In order to use images in these ways, including online promotions, we need to ensure that we have permission of those who are photographed and recorded. Advisers, please feel free to send a copy of this letter home to parents of junior historians who will be attending this year's convention.

If there are any parents and students attending the Annual Convention who do not wish to be photo-graphed, please include their names in the specified area on this form. We will provide colorful nametags in the registration packets for individuals to wear that will warn our photographers NOT to photograph them.

If you do not list any names in the space below, we will understand this to mean that we have permission to take photographs and video recordings of individuals associated with your club and sponsor organization that could then be used for museum or THJHA promotion.

ADVISERS: THIS PORTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY YOU

I, _____ (print), adviser of _____ (club) sponsored by _____ (school or other organization), have obtained permission of those individuals associated with our club and sponsor organization who are not listed on this form for their audio/video/photo to be captured during the THJHA Annual Convention.

Adviser signature: _____ Date: _____

The North Carolina Museum of History Audio/Video/Photo Release Form states:
Recordings (audio/video/photo) and transcripts made from those recordings collected by the North Carolina Museum of History become property of the museum and part of the museum's media collection. All recorded materials can be used by the Museum of History in any way it determines, including, but not limited to, research, exhibition, education, broadcast, and promotion.

The individuals listed below DO NOT give their permission for their audio/video/photo to be captured or used in whole or in part.

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